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LR 32

Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and thank you, Senator Schrock. The 309 Task Force for Building Renewal, three of the members, Mr. Haller, Mr. McClintock, Mr. Mohlman, all went out and viewed this property. I have colored pictures of the buildings. They're suggesting that two of the buildings be saved because they're metal buildings and they're not...they're fairly new. They're in good condition and they're recommending to save those. There is a house on there that's questionable. It's not a bad house, but it does have some upkeep. The balance of the buildings are older buildings that really have no value, and the committee has recommended that these particular properties be demolished and gotten rid of so that there won't be any upkeep and expense on those. The other two buildings are buildings that could be utilized by the Game and Parks for various uses. The house is a question of whether they can find somebody that would either want to move it or to refurbish it and perhaps rent it out as a place of residency for individuals who might want to live there. So the recommendation is that they destroy all the buildings but the two metal relatively new buildings. The house, a determination has to be made on whatever use could be found for it if the time should come, if not, it should also be demolished in order to save the cost of maintaining it and repairing it to get it up to a high standard of living. And so with that recommendation and the one that the...Senator Schrock has talked about from his committee, the recommendation is that they follow through and accept this property and that we follow the recommendations of the Building Renewal Task Force because they have certainly had a good opportunity to look these buildings over and determine...several years ago we decided every building the state would accept should have a review by the Task Force for Building Renewal in order to determine that we're not stuck with some property that's going to end up costing the state money to maintain. So that's the recommendation that we're leaving with the legislative body today. And with that, I will conclude my remarks and turn it back to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Any further discussion on LR 32? Seeing none, Senator Schrock, would you